

Hollyday House
131 North Washington Street
Easton, Maryland 21601

T-25
First Quarter
Nineteenth Century

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Town of Easton

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Hollyday House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

131 North Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Easton

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

FIRST

STATE

Maryland 21601

COUNTY

Talbot

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Mr. and Mrs. H. Robbins Hollyday

Telephone #: 301-322-2495

STREET & NUMBER

131 North Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Easton

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code
Maryland 21601

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Talbot County Court House

STREET & NUMBER

Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Easton

STATE

Maryland 21601

Liber #: 185

Folio #: 365

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Town of Easton Survey by Paul Brinkman

DATE

August 29, 1967

☐ FEDERAL ☒ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN

Annapolis

STATE
Maryland

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☒ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

#131 North Washington Street, the Hollyday House, is a delightfully proportioned frame house which may have once been a tavern. Its unusually tall chimneys and steeply pitched roof give this diminutive building a lively, picturesque quality. The house stands on the west side of North Washington Street at the edge of Easton's new commercial district.

The building is three bays wide and two-and-a-half stories high with two gable dormers in the east roof slope. The brick chimneys are enclosed within the end walls and have corbelled caps. To the rear of the main house is a two-and-a-half story wing which appears to have been lengthened one bay. At the original rear exterior wall is another brick chimney which closely resembles those of the main house block.

Windows of the main house have nine over six sashes on the first floor and six over six sashes in the second floor and the dormers. Trim has a backbond molding and plain, unmolded wooden sills, louvered shutters, painted black, are used. The main entrance has sidelights and is reached by a flight of three wooden steps. The door itself has flat molded panels and appears to date from the second or third quarter of the nineteenth century.

If the structure dates from the eighteenth century as historical research seems to indicate, it has been greatly changed. However, examination of the basement reveals that there was once a small fireplace in the cellar and two outside entrances one at the front and one at the rear in the south bays. There is also evidence of an earlier foundation beneath the present rear wing.

Exterior siding of the main house is late nineteenth century, of the type called "novelty siding" and also used on the Chaffinch House (T-34) at 132 South Harrison Street. This siding is machined to look very narrow although each board is actually twice the width it appears to be.

The roof is finished with a simple cornice and return, which may be replacements. Roofs of buildings of the late eighteenth century and early nineteenth centuries generally had a verge board and box cornice with moldings. The dormers have a cornice and return and cheeks covered with medium width horizontal weatherboarding. The roof is covered with wooden shingles.

Sheltering the south side of the rear wing is a two-story, three-bay long porch with a plain balustrade and square posts. Behind the house is a detached, gable roof shed. The exterior walls are board and batten and the roof is edged with a wooden scallop; the structure is nineteenth century, appearing in city maps late in the century.

The house originally had a side hall plan with stair, unusually situated, adjacent the interior position. The present stair is an enclosed corner stair located behind the former stair hall and entered from the rear ell.

There is one room on the first floor of the main house. It is a

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parlour entered through a wide opening from the hall. There is a simple mantle with a rectangular opening and flat moldings. Window and door trim resembles in character the wooden detailing of the mantle and the front door; the flatness of these moldings indicate that they probably date from the second quarter of the nineteenth century, or later. The rear ell is lower than the main house and has one large room on the first floor. The mantle in this room is quite plain and appears to be contemporary with those in the parlour.

The house is well maintained and used as a private residence. It stands beside a garden enclosed by a pleasantly proportioned cast iron fence.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES See Below

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The building is significant for its architecture. If it once housed a tavern, as current research seems to indicate, it is one of the earliest structures in the town. There is little, however, remaining architectural details that would verify its early date, most interior elements dating from after 1825. The form of the house, however -- steep gable roof, side hall plan, two-and-a-half stories, and tall chimneys -- is one seen in the eighteenth century.

Historical Research to be completed.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Deeds and Land Records, Talbot County Court House.

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATAACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY NA**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**NA**LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES**

STATE	None	COUNTY
STATE		COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Marsha L. Fritz, Consultant

ORGANIZATION

Historic Easton, Incorporated

DATE

January 25, 1977

STREET & NUMBER

Box 1171TELEPHONE Mr. Paul Parsons
301-822-2706 President

CITY OR TOWN

Easton


STATE

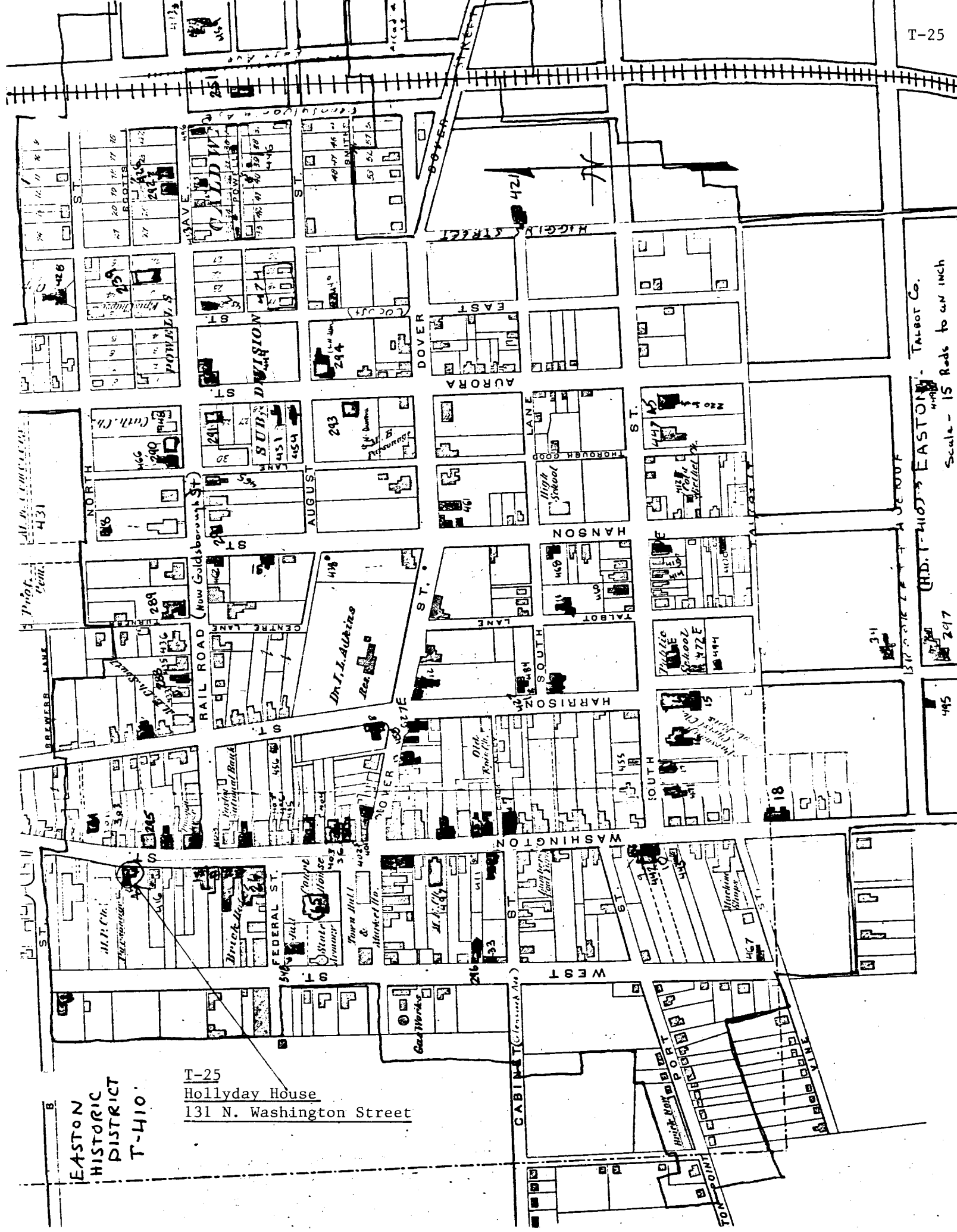
Maryland 21601

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RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

<p>1. STATE Maryland T-25</p> <p>COUNTY Talbot</p> <p>TOWN Easton VICINITY</p> <p>STREET NO. S. Washington St.</p> <p>ORIGINAL OWNER</p> <p>ORIGINAL USE Dwelling</p> <p>PRESENT OWNER</p> <p>PRESENT USE Dwelling</p> <p>WALL CONSTRUCTION Clapboard</p> <p>NO. OF STORIES 2 1/2</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY INVENTORY</p> <hr/> <p>2. NAME Holliday House</p> <p>DATE OR PERIOD c. 1815-20</p> <p>STYLE Colonial</p> <p>ARCHITECT</p> <p>BUILDER</p> <hr/> <p>3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE</p>	
<p>4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION OPEN TO PUBLIC no</p> <p style="margin-top: 10px;">This is a very attractive and unusual house. It's steeply pitched A-roof and very high chimneys with molded caps give it a picturesque medieval quality. The house is 3 bays wide and 2 deep w/a 2½ storey ell running off from the rear. The first storey windows are 9/6 while those on the second are 6/6. The door is on the right. There are two peaked 6/6 dormers on the roof.</p> <p style="margin-top: 10px;">At the rear a smaller 2½ wing runs off from the main house. It has a catslide roof which extends out to cover a 2 storey gallery.</p> <p style="margin-top: 10px;">This house is very unusual in all its line and detail. It is very attractive and unusual and is maintained in very good condition.</p>			
<p>5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE Endangered Interior Exterior excellent</p>			
<p>6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)</p> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;">  </div>		<p>7. PHOTOGRAPH</p>	
<p>8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages)</p> <p>INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.</p>		<p>9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER</p> <p style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;">Paul A. Brinkman</p> <p style="margin-top: 20px;">DATE OF RECORD 30/8/1967</p>	



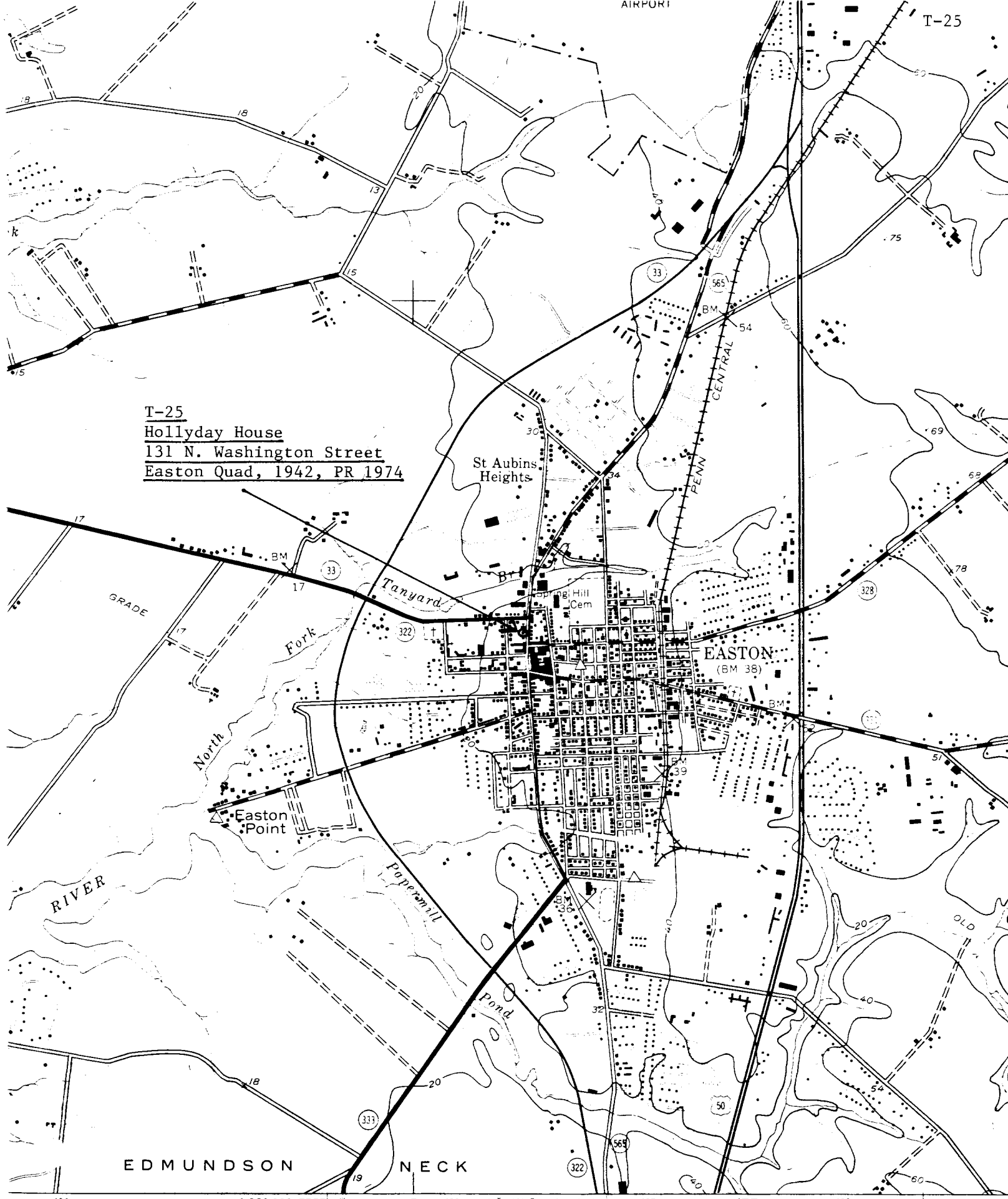
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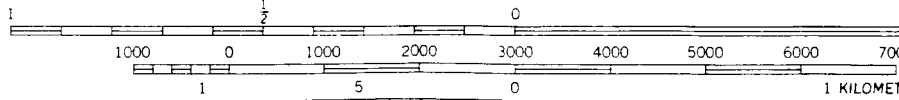
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Easton Quad, 1942, PR 1974

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Easton, Md.

View to NW

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131 North Washington Street, Easton

Southeast Facade